

PATENT



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Docket No. 4024-4063

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): George Shevchuk

Serial No.: 10/783,184

Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned

Filed: February 20, 2004

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For: ASSEMBLY FOR STACKING OPTICAL FIBERS
IN AN ALIGNED TWO DIMENSIONAL ARRAY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS
P.O. BOX 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

This application is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 10/098,943, filed on March 15, 2002. Prior to examination on the merits, entry of the following Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on pages 2 of this paper; and

Remarks, inter alia, addressing the Office Action issued in the parent application begin on page 8 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.



No additional fee is required.



The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	28-	19	9	\$18.00/ \$9.00	\$ 162.00
Independent Claims	5	3	2	\$86.00/ \$43.00	\$ 172.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$290.00 to additional fee (\$145.00 for small entity).				\$ 0
TOTAL					\$ 334.00


*Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

- ☐ Small entity status is or has been claimed.
Reduced Fees Under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(f) paid herewith \$_____
- ☐ _____ Pages Sequence Listing
- ☐ _____ Computer disk(s) containing substitute Sequence Listing
- ☐ Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.825(b) that the computer and paper copies of the substitute Sequence Listing are the same.
- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$334.00** to cover the filing fee is attached.
- ☐ Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. _____. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this amendment, including all fees pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17 for its timely consideration, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 4024-4063. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: May 5, 2004

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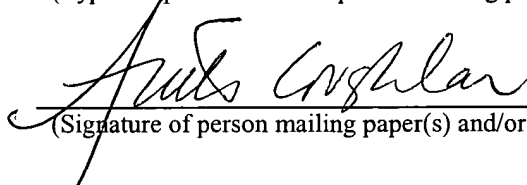
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2. Amendment Fee Transmittal (2 pages);
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